

WASHINGTON, D.C.-Today, Congressman Jim Costa (D-Fresno) released the following statement regarding the upcoming mark-up of House Resolution 106, the Armenian Genocide resolution.

"Silence is genocide's greatest ally, and I am very happy that the silence regarding the Armenian Genocide will be ending next week in the House Foreign Affairs Committee. The United States should not be playing the game of recognizing certain genocides and not others, and it is well past due that the Armenian Genocide finally be recognized as such in our nation.

"For years, the Turkish Government has gone to great lengths to lobby Members of Congress on the genocide. It's time the United States formally recognize this sad chapter during the Ottoman Empire. I will be working with my colleagues to see the resolution is passed in the Foreign Affairs Committee, and come to the floor for a vote before the full House."

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